

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1. (Original) Container comprising a multimodal ethylene polymer having a standard density of at least 935 kg/m³ and a fluidity index MI₂ of from 1 to 10 g/10 min, said multimodal ethylene polymer comprising:

from 20 to 65 wt%, based on the total weight of the multimodal ethylene polymer, of a fraction comprising ethylene polymer (A) having a density of more than 950 kg/m³ and a fluidity index MI₂ (A) of at least 10 g/l 0 min; and

from 80 to 35 wt %, based on the total weight of the multimodal ethylene polymer, of a fraction comprising a copolymer (B) of ethylene and at least one alpha-olefin containing from 3 to 12 carbon atoms, and having a fluidity index MI₂ (B) of less than 10 g/min and a content of said alpha-olefin(s) of 0.1 to 5 mol%.

2. (Original) Container comprising ethylene polymer having a standard density of at least 935 kg/m³, a fluidity index MI₂ of from 1 to 10 g/10 min, a Vicat point of at least 126.5°C and a resistance to slow cracking, measured according to ASTM D 1693 (1980), condition A of at least 60 hours.

3. (Original) Container according to claim 1, wherein the standard density of the ethylene polymer (A) is more than 965 kg/m³.

4. (Currently amended) Container according to any preceding claim 1, wherein the proportion of ethylene polymer (A) is from 30 to 40 wt%.

5. (Currently amended) Container according to any preceding claim 1, wherein the standard density of the multimodal ethylene polymer is at least 950 kg/m³.

6. (Currently amended) Container according to any preceding claim 1, which has a volume of less than 2L.
7. (Currently amended) Container according to any preceding claim 1, which is formed only of said multimodal ethylene polymer.
8. (Currently amended) Container according to any preceding claim 1, wherein polymer (A) is a homopolymer of ethylene.
9. (Currently amended) Container according to any preceding claim 1, wherein the multimodal ethylene polymer has a fluidity index MI₂ of from 1 to 3 g/10 min.
10. (Currently amended) Container according to any preceding claim 1, wherein the multimodal ethylene polymer has a density of no more than 962 kg/m³.
11. (Currently amended) Container according to any preceding claim 1, wherein the multimodal ethylene polymer has a Mw/Mn of 9 or less.
12. (Currently amended) Container according to any preceding claim 1, wherein the multimodal ethylene polymer has a Mw/Mn of at least 5.
13. (Currently amended) Container according to any preceding claim 1, wherein the multimodal ethylene polymer has a ratio MI₂(A) /MI₂ of from 5 to 200.
14. (Currently amended) Container according to any preceding claim 1, wherein the MI₂ (B) is from 0.08 to 0.8 g/10 min.
15. (Currently amended) Container according to any preceding claim 1, wherein the copolymer (B) comprises units derived from ethylene and butene-1.

16. (Currently amended) Container according to ~~any preceding claim 1,~~
wherein the multimodal ethylene polymer is obtained by polymerisation in at least two
reactors connected in series.

17. (Currently amended) Container according to ~~any preceding claim 1~~
or 2, which is a bottle.

18. (Currently amended) ~~Bottle Container~~ according to claim [[16]] 1 or
2, which is a bottle that has been sterilised.

19. (Cancelled).